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SUBJECT: TERRORISM: THREE ARAB TERRORISTS RELEASED

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1. ITALIAN PRESS REPORTED ON MARCH 2 THAT THREE ARAB TERRORISTS BEING HELD IN CONNECTION WITH ABORTIVE ATTEMPT TO SHOOT DOWN ISRAELI AIRLINER WITH SURFACE-TO-AIR MISSILES HAD BEEN RELEASED PREVIOUS EVENING. BAIL OF 60 MILLION LIRE (ALMOST \$100,000) REPORTEDLY PAID BY DEFENSE ATTORNEYS, MEETING COURT REQUIREMENT FOR RELEASE OF ARABS ON "PROVISIONAL LIBERTY."

2. ACCORDING PRESS REPORTS, ARABS' PASSPORTS WERE RETURNED TO THEM AND THEY WERE GIVEN TEN-DAY RESIDENCE PERMIT WHICH REQUIRES ON ITS EXPIRATION THAT ARABS REPORT TO POLICE AUTHORITIES TO DECLARE THEIR INTENTION OF REMAINING IN ITALY OR DEPARTING COUNTRY.

3. PRESS REPORTS NOTED THAT, SINCE THEY HAVE PASSPORTS, AS PRACTICAL MATTER, ARABS FREE TO LEAVE ITALY WHENEVER THEY WISH. PAPERS CARRYING REPORT THAT ARABS TAKEN DIRECTLY FROM PRISON TO AIRPORT YESTERDAY EVENING ALTHOUGH IT ADMITED THAT WHEREABOUTS OF ARABS UNKNOWN.

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4. RE BAIL PAYMENT, PRESS SPECULATED THAT MONEY WAS PROVIDED BY
A "MIDDLE EASTERN" EMBASSY, AND NOTED "SOME SOURCES" HAD ADVANCED
HYPOTHESIS THAT ITALIAN FOREIGN MINISTRY PROVIDED FUNDS.VOLPE

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